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Dear Bill,

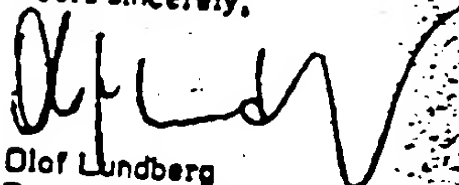
Thank you for your letter dated 30 May 1986 concerning the possible launch of INMARSAT satellites by the Proton vehicle offered by Glavkosmos of the USSR and the Long March vehicle offered by the China Great Wall Industry Corporation (CGWIC) of the People's Republic of China.

Your advice with respect to the Long March vehicle was encouraging. We have now received a formal proposal from CGWIC. We anticipate that our Council, which is meeting this week and next, will direct us to explore the proposal further, including the prospects for issuance of the necessary export licenses by the US Government. Therefore, at an appropriate time, we will want to resume our discussions with you to ensure that mutually satisfactory arrangements are established to accommodate US Government concerns about technology transfer.

Thank you for your consideration.

With my best personal wishes,

Yours sincerely,



Olof Lundberg
Director General

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